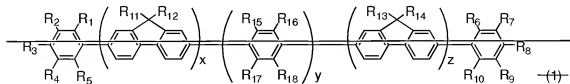
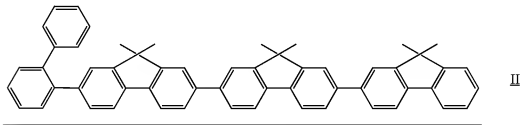
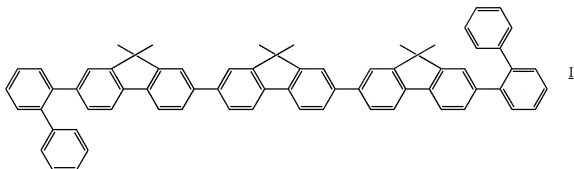


(b) Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel claims 13 and 17 without prejudice or disclaimer, amend claim 12 and add new claim 22. The following is a complete listing of claims and replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application:

1.-11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) A compound represented by one of the following general structural formulas I and II-formula (1):



wherein x , y and z are each independently an integer of 0 to 3 with the proviso that the relation of $x + z \geq 1$ is satisfied;

R_3 , R_8 , R_{15} , R_{16} , R_{17} and R_{18} are each independently a hydrogen atom or a linear or branched alkyl group;

R_{11} , R_{12} , R_{13} , R_{14} , R_{15} , R_{16} , R_{17} , R_{18} , and R_{19} are each independently a hydrogen atom, a linear or branched alkyl group, or a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group with the proviso that at least one of R_{11} , R_{12} , R_{13} , R_{14} , R_{15} , R_{16} , R_{17} , R_{18} , and R_{19} is a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group; and R_{21} , R_{22} , R_{23} , and R_{24} are each independently a hydrogen atom, a linear or branched alkyl group, or a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Currently Amended) An organic electroluminescent device comprising a pair of electrodes, and at least one layer comprising an organic compound provided between the pair of electrodes, wherein at least one of the at least one layer comprising the organic compound comprises at least one of the compounds represented by the ~~general formula (1)~~ structural formulas I and II as set forth in claim 12.

15. (Currently Amended) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 14, wherein the layer comprising the compound represented by ~~the general formula (1)~~ structural formula I or II is a light-emitting layer.

16. (Currently Amended) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 15, wherein the light-emitting layer comprises at least two compounds including a host and a guest compounds, and the host compound comprises the compound represented by ~~the general formula (1)~~ one of the structural formulas I and II.

17.-20 (Cancelled)

21. (Previously Presented) A display apparatus comprising the organic electroluminescent device as set forth in claim 14.

22. (New) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 16, wherein the guest compound is a phosphorescent material which emits red light.